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## **INDIANAPOLIS MAN SENTENCED TO 32 YEARS FOR FIVE BANK ROBBERIES**

Von Eric Sweatt ("Sweatt"), 55, Indianapolis, was sentenced to 32 years in prison today by U.S. District Judge William T. Lawrence for five armed bank robberies in late 2009 and early 2010. This case was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Safe Streets Task Force and the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department.

Sweatt used a mask and air pistol to rob four different banks in Indianapolis on five different occasions. At the time of the robberies, Sweatt was on parole from a prior federal bank robbery conviction and under probation for a prior Hamilton County bank robbery. Sweatt admitted robbing a total of 17 banks over the course of his lifetime.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven D. DeBrot, Judge Lawrence also ordered Sweatt to pay full restitution of \$20,038.52 to the banks and serve five years of supervised release following his term of imprisonment.

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